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PATENT APPLICATION

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DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND PETITION

I, Paul Cador Roberts, declare: that I am a citizen of Great Britain, that my post office address is 61 Southgate Street, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 2BJ, Great Britain, that I verily believe I am the original and sole inventor of the subject matter of the invention or discovery entitled "METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR GENERATING ENCRYPTION KEYS USING RANDOM BIT GENERATORS," for which a patent is sought and which is described and claimed in the specification attached hereto; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Section 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

I hereby appoint as my attorneys and/or patent agents all listed under Customer No. 022913; and DANIEL D. CROUSE, Registration No. 32,022; and KATIE SAKO, Registration No. 32,628, of MICROSOFT CORPORATION, One Microsoft Way, Redmond, Washington 98052, with full power to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. All correspondence and telephonic communications should be directed to:

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Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

Signed at <u>Cambridge</u>, <u>Ewgland</u> this 8 day of January, 2001.

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